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## News Release

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### **High Surf Warning issued for Kaua'i and Ni'ihau; Kalalau Trail closed**

The National Weather Service (NWS) has issued a High Surf Warning for north- and west-facing shores of Kaua'i and Ni'ihau until 6 a.m. Monday. The warning may be extended, dropped, or modified as conditions develop.

The NWS reports dangerously large waves of up to 45 feet through the weekend. Due to the hazardous conditions, Ocean Safety Bureau officials advise no swimming at north- and west-facing shores during the High Surf Warning.

Beachgoers are urged to stay out of the water and away from shorelines in these areas.

Additionally State Parks has closed the Kalalau Trail until further notice due to rising stream levels.

For updated information on ocean and weather alerts, visit the NWS website,

[www.weather.gov/hfo](http://www.weather.gov/hfo).

For up-to-date information about Kaua'i ocean conditions and ocean safety, please speak to a county lifeguard at any lifeguard station, visit [www.hawaiibeachsafety.com](http://www.hawaiibeachsafety.com), or call the Ocean Safety Bureau at 808-241-4984.

For updates on the Kalalau Trail, visit the State Parks website at [dlnr.hawaii.gov/dsp](http://dlnr.hawaii.gov/dsp).

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